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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby makes the following documents of record in the above-identified application:

Patents

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 4,142,975, issued 03/06/79 to Kinzer.
- (2) British Patent No. 533,153 - 1941.
- (3) European Patent No. 0 142 473 - 1985.
- (4) European Patent No. 0 541 184 - 1993.
- (5) European Patent No. 0 599 661 - 1994.

Copies of these documents, which are listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (one page), are enclosed herewith. Applicant respectfully requests that these documents be fully considered by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application and printed on any patent which may issue on this application. Applicant respectfully requests that a copy of FORM PTO-1449 (one page), as considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned to the undersigned with the next communication.

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
						YES	NO
	5 3 3 1 5 3	1941	Great Britain				
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